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Claims 3, 4, 7 and 14 to Figure 2;  
Claims 3, 13, 14, 15 and 17 to Figure 5;  
Claims 8, 9, 10 and 11 to Figure 7;  
Claims 8, 9 and 12 to Figure 9; and  
Claims 18-24 to Figure 10.

Applicants hereby elect (without traverse) the species of Fig. 5, and including claims 1, 2, 3, 5, 6; 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 25-27 which are all readable thereon. Currently claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 16 and 25-27 are generic.

The remaining claims are withdrawn pending allowance of a claim generic to species. Applicants reserve the right to file the withdrawn claims in divisional application(s) if such application(s) be filed. An action on the merits is requested.

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